



*The "Write Place"*  
AAMU

# NEWSLETTER

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## Meet A&M Alum Melody Holt!



Writing Center Director, Kem Roper caught up with Melody Holt, star of OWN's *Love and Marriage Huntsville*. Holt was the keynote speaker at the farewell event for beloved English Department secretary, Loretta Townsend who retired after 43 years of service. Holt, who was a student worker in the A&M English Department, says she loved her time as a student here and was excited to connect with old friends.

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**Ready for Work**  
RESUME-WRITING WORKSHOP

APRIL 17, 2019  
12PM-1PM

THE "WRITE PLACE"  
CARVER COMPLEX NORTH  
HOLLINS WING, RM 125

RSVP: 334-375-5496  
EMAIL: [writingcenter@aamu.edu](mailto:writingcenter@aamu.edu)

**PROFILE**  
Whether you're starting from scratch or just looking to spice up your current resume this workshop will give you all the tools, tips and tricks to succeed. We will cover everything from layout, to content, to what employers are looking for and most.

**EDUCATION**  
The Writing Center  
Carver Complex North  
Hollins Wing, Room 125  
April 17, 2019  
12pm-1pm

**SKILLS**  
THIS WORKSHOP WILL COVER:  
-Resume formats  
-How to use Action Language  
-Proper etiquette on sending a Resume & Cover Letter  
-What to use if you don't have work experience

**WORK EXPERIENCE**  
THE KEY IS IN THE WORDING.  
Work experience is a BIG part of a resume. Let us help you detail your experience to highlight your strengths and accomplishments. Whether you have extensive work experience or none, there is a way to convey your skills so you can truly shine!

YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS THIS WORKSHOP!

**OUR NEXT  
WORKSHOP is  
April 17th!**

**GET YOUR  
RESUME READY  
FOR WORK!**

## DOCU- DRAMA

Wednesday, March 13th Sammie Johnson, Assistant Director for Research, Public, and Information Literacy Services presented an Information Literacy session offering insights on how to locate sources in the library's online databases. "Write Place" tutor Aneeka Bashir showed students how to properly cite those sources that they find in the library in their essays. She shared with them examples of MLA and APA in-text documentation.



## WHO'S THE BOSS?

On March 27th If you ever wanted to write like a boss, "Write Place" tutor Laurel Browne and Demetria Horton have the answer! Their workshop focused on professional communication covering how to craft emails and letters that are clear, concise and correct. Attendees also learned how to ensure that their messages were appropriate for their audience, fulfilled their purpose and established good will. To access this presentation go to The "Write Place" Resources page.



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## GO BULLDOGS!

We've added a **NEW** section to the Write Place Newsletter and it's all about **YOU!** Check out Page 3 for A&M Student News and highlights

Meet Laurel Browne!  
recipient of  
Alabama A&M  
University's First  
Lady Scholarship  
(read more on  
page 3)



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE "WRITE PLACE"?



**COFFEE & DONUTS...** We kicked off mid-term exams by providing students with a little fuel. On Monday, March 4th we served up coffee and donuts with our tutoring! services!



**APRIL FOOLS!** On April 1st, Dr. Antony Ricks shared tips and tricks for writing short fiction. A handful of English faculty gathered and shared their creative works. Be on the lookout for a sample of their work in an up-coming issue. In the meantime, check out a short story by our own "Write Place" tutor, Sydney Hawkins, on page 3. Are you a writer or poet? Share your work with us! See our website for submission guidelines.



**GRE Prep...** On April 10th Ms. Kiietti Walker-Parker provided us with strategies for success on the writing portion of the GRE. If you're planning to attend graduate school, you will need to know how to build an argument and demonstrate critical thinking. You can see Ms. Parker's full presentation located on our Resources page.





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## Check This Out!

### Must Reads

Becoming By Michelle Obama



Now What?! Conversations about College,  
Graduation, and the Next Step  
By Ari King

H3 Leadership: Be Humble. Stay Hungry. Always  
Hustle  
By Brad Lomenick

### Movies You Must See

Us - Starring Lupita Nyong'o  
Directed by Jordan Peele  
7.4/10 Rating



Little - Starring Regina Hall  
Directed by Tina Gordon  
6.7/10 Rating

The Best of Enemies - Starring Taraji P. Henson  
Directed by Robin Bissell  
7/10 Rating

### Articles to Inspire

The Career Advice I Wish I Had at 25  
By: Shane Rogers

10 Fundamental Truths that will Change your Life  
By: Travis Bradberry



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## Student Story

Based on the Poem "The Harlem Dancer"

By Sydney Hawkins

....The phony smile lasted long enough. The applause died down.  
She gathered every coin until the stage was clear. Her hands  
flooded with pennies, nickels, and dimes. Sadness grew heavy in  
her as she shrunk back into her true self. A man caught her before  
the curtains closed and attached her lips to his. It was quick but  
powerful. He proceeded to pull a dollar out of his pocket and hold  
it out for her to take. She accepted it with a quick hesitation, as  
they walked with shoulders touching, together and out of sight....

Read the whole short story at

[www.aamu.edu/academics/academic-support-retention/writing-center/](http://www.aamu.edu/academics/academic-support-retention/writing-center/)

## Student Highlight

On March 30th, 2019 six students were awarded scholarships at Alabama A&M University's ninth annual First Lady Scholarship Luncheon. One recipient was our amazing tutor, Ms. Laurel Browne. Laurel is a stellar student and active member on campus. With her scholarship, Ms. Browne plans to fund her educational expenses as she works toward earning her Bachelors of Arts in Psychology.



## BULLDOG BULLETIN



This week, the art club would like to spotlight Lillian Barbour's recent piece  
"Sun and Moon"

AAMU's **Art Club** welcomes all types of creatives, whether you enjoy handicrafts or cosmetology, our purpose is to create an environment where we can all thrive while also creating opportunities for artists to get exposure. So please email us to join for the upcoming semester at [Artclub.aamu@gmail.com](mailto:Artclub.aamu@gmail.com)